

Moldova Program Summary

Moldova's Threshold Program focuses on anti-corruption by strengthening the capacity of the judiciary, increasing the monitoring capacity of civil society and the mass media, reducing corruption in the health system, curbing corruption in the tax, customs and police services, and reforming the Center for Combating Economic Crimes and Corruption (CCECC).

Program Highlights

Judicial Reform

- ★ Renovation of the three pilot district courts is on-going, with the most extensive renovation court, Comrat District Court, completed and officially opened in June 2009.

Civil Society and Media

- ★ A public-private working group for media strengthening was held to discuss the draft law on state aid for media and discussed recommendations for improving the legislation.
- ★ A Threshold Program supported newspaper organized a public debate on "The reaction of public authorities to investigative reports on corruption cases" which was attended by several public institutions, law enforcement agencies, the media, NGOs, and the general public.
- ★ A "Next Steps" conference was hosted by the program to disseminate best practices and success stories and to create opportunities for dialogue between media NGOs and the Government of Moldova

Tax Administration/Customs/Police Reforms

- ★ Programming on the Collection Enforcement Tracking System and the two applications designed to improve audit selection and yield higher revenues for the State Tax Inspectorate continues. All three systems are expected to be completed and operational by September.

Threshold Status

Status.....Implementation, Year 2

Threshold Information

Total Amount.....\$24.7 million

Agreement Signed.....December 14, 2006

Country Information

Population.....4,205,747*

GNI Per Capita Income.....\$880*